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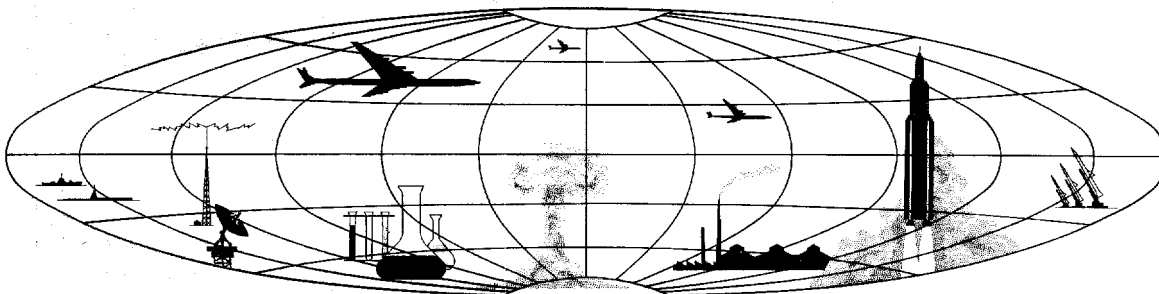


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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3401, DATED 1 FEBRUARY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

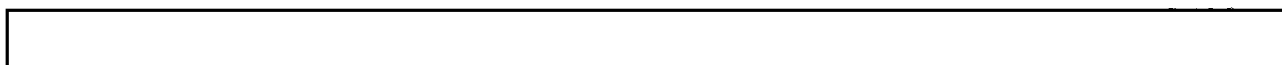
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FIVE POSSIBLE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS
IN HOLD AREAS AND 6 UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS OBSERVED.
GUIDANCE AREA APPEARS COMPLETE.

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MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W [REDACTED]

ONE UNCOVERED MISSILE ON TRAILER, 6 LAUNCHERS IN
REVERTED POSITIONS, 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS, AND NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS
OBSERVED. GUIDANCE AREA IS OCCUPIED AND UNCOVERED.

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ESMERALDA SAM SITE 2155N 07813W [REDACTED]

SITE INCLUDES 6 NET-COVERED REVERTED LAUNCHERS, 7
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS WITH MISSILES IN 3 HOLD POSITIONS
(2 REVERTED), AND ONE NET-COVERED PROBABLE FRUITSET
AND 6 VANS IN REVERTED CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA.
WEST OF SITE AND ALONG ROAD ARE ONE LARGE UNOCCUPIED
REVERTMENT AND 3 SMALL REVERTMENTS CONTAINING
UNIDENTIFIED EQUIPMENT. FOUR BUILDINGS, 2 LARGE
AND 2 SMALL TENTS, AND 15 VEHICLES OBSERVED.
NORTHEAST OF SITE A REVERTMENT WITH APPROXIMATELY 10
SMALL VEHICLES IS LOCATED IN A WOODED AREA.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W [REDACTED]

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITIONS, AND RADAR IN
GUIDANCE AREA.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W [REDACTED]

TWENTY-FOUR MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 11 TRACKED PRIME
MOVERS, AND 24 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED IN VISIBLE
PORTIONS.

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DELEITE SAM SITE 2259N 08045W

[] 25X1D

SITE INCLUDES 4 PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN NW AREA, 6 REVETTED LAUNCH POSITIONS, AND 6 LAUNCHERS. REVETTED GUIDANCE AREA APPEARS OPERATIONAL.

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DELEITE ALTERNATE SAM SITE 2301N 08044W

[] 25X1D

SITE IS UNOCCUPIED. NO EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY NOTED.

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MALDONADO SAM SITE 2012N 07528W

[] 25X1D

SIX LAUNCHERS IN REVETMENTS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITION, AND RADAR IN GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N 07750W

[] 25X1D

SIX UNREVVETTED LAUNCHERS WITH MISSILES, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS WITH MISSILES IN HOLD POSITION, AND APPROXIMATELY 12 PARKED VEHICLES OBSERVED. NET-COVERED FRUIT SET RADAR WITH 4 VANS IN CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA AND SPOONREST RADAR IN CIRCULAR AREA AT NORTH END OF SITE. SUPPORT AREA CONTAINS 4 BUILDINGS, 5 TENTS, 5 POSSIBLE PRIME MOVERS, AND APPROXIMATELY 8 TRAILERS.

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-AIRFIELDS-

CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

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LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED. NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

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ANTONIO MACEDO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- 6 LIAISON AIRCRAFT AND ONE HOUND.

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CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD 2307N 08117W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.
RUNWAY APPEARS SERVICEABLE.

25X1D

BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 PROBABLE LIAISON AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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-PORTS-

PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

NO CARGO VESSELS OBSERVED. OBLIQUITY AND HAZE LIMIT
INTERPRETATION.

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BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

VESSELS -- 5 SMALL CRAFT. NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT
OR SHIPPING OBSERVED AND NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY ON
ACCESS ROADS. SCATTERED CLOUDS PRECLUDE DETAILED
INTERPRETATION.

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MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

[REDACTED] 25X1D

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

[REDACTED] 25X1D

VESSELS -- 2 FREIGHTERS, SEVERAL BARGES, AND
NUMEROUS SMALL CRAFT.
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY NOTED.

[REDACTED]

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LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

[REDACTED] 25X1D

VESSELS -- ONE PATROL CRAFT, ONE COASTAL FREIGHTER,
2 MOORED BARGES, ONE BARGE IN HARBOR, AND NUMEROUS
SMALL CRAFT. ALL ACCESS ROADS APPEAR TO BE
SERVICEABLE.

[REDACTED]

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CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

[REDACTED] 25X1D

NO LARGE VESSELS IN PORT.
NO OTHER APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

[REDACTED] 25X1D

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED. NUMEROUS SMALL CRAFT
IN PORT. NO MILITARY ACTIVITY NOTED.

[REDACTED]

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

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GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

NO NEW OR UNUSUAL MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP NO 1 2121N 07750W

AREA CONTAINS 36 LARGE, 23 MEDIUM, AND 43 SMALL TENTS, APPROXIMATELY 20 PERMANENT BUILDINGS, AND 2 VEHICLE PARK AREAS WITH APPROXIMATELY 60-70 VEHICLES. TWO PROBABLE POL STORAGE AREAS WITH HORIZONTAL TANKS OBSERVED. ANOTHER AREA CONTAINS UNIDENTIFIED PROBABLE ELECTRONICS IN A CIRCULAR ARRANGEMENT WITH A MICROWAVE TOWER IN THE CENTER. A THIRD AREA CONTAINS 3 REVETMENTS WITH UNIDENTIFIED RADAR. SCATTERED CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CAMAGUEY AREA, SMALL MILITARY CAMP 2126N 07753W

VEHICLES -- 18 VISIBLE.
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE

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PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH 1958N 07457W

NO NEW MILITARY OR UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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MAR VERDE, LANDING BEACH 1957N 07557W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

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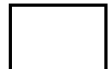
MISSION 3401 DID NOT COVER TARGETS WEST OF 81 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE.

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE LAST COVERAGE --

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SIBONEY AREA, LANDING BEACH
VARADERO, LANDING BEACH

1957N 07542W
2308N 08118W



THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED --

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REMEDIOS IRBM SITE

2225N 07935W

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CAIBARIEN SAM SITE
CHAMBAS SAM SITE
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA
MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP

2228N 07929W
2213N 07853W
2142N 07850W
2151N 07844W
2017N 07706W
2227N 07934W

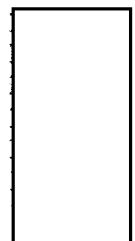


THE FOLLOWING TARGETS WERE NOT COVERED, OR WERE NOT OBSERVED BECAUSE OF ADVERSE WEATHER OR OTHER CONDITIONS --

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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2
CASILDA, MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA
CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE
SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE
SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE
CHAPARRA SAM SITE

2243N 08001W
2239N 07951W
2146N 07958W
2202N 08024W
2251N 08005W
2147N 07929W
2107N 07626W



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LOS ANGELES SAM SITE	2100N 07541W
MANATI SAM SITE	2113N 07702W
CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2236N 08005W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2104N 07700W
HOLGUIN SAM SITE	2052N 07627W
BANES CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2058N 07538W
LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2156N 08019W
CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD	2229N 07955W
HOLGUIN AIRFIELD	2048N 07618W
TRINIDAD AIRFIELD	2147N 07959W
BANES PORT	2055N 07542W
CIENFUEGOS PORT	2209N 08027W
MOA BAY PORT	2039N 07454W
NUENITAS PORT	2132N 07716W
CASILDA PORT	2145N 07959W
PUERTO PADRE PORT	2113N 07632W
HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2053N 07614W
EL JUCARO, MILITARY AREA	2051N 07543W
SAN GERMAN AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2029N 07559W
SAN GERMAN, MILITARY ACTIVITY	2025N 07602W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY	2221N 07957W

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VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2054N 07655W
LAS VILLAS AREA OF SPECIAL INTEREST	2146N 07959W
CIENFUEGOS, LANDING BEACH	2202N 08036W
ENSENADA COLORADO, LANDING BEACH	2202N 08025W
NICARO, LANDING BEACH	2042N 07533W
MAYARI ARRIBA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2029N 07530W
LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION	2208N 08004W

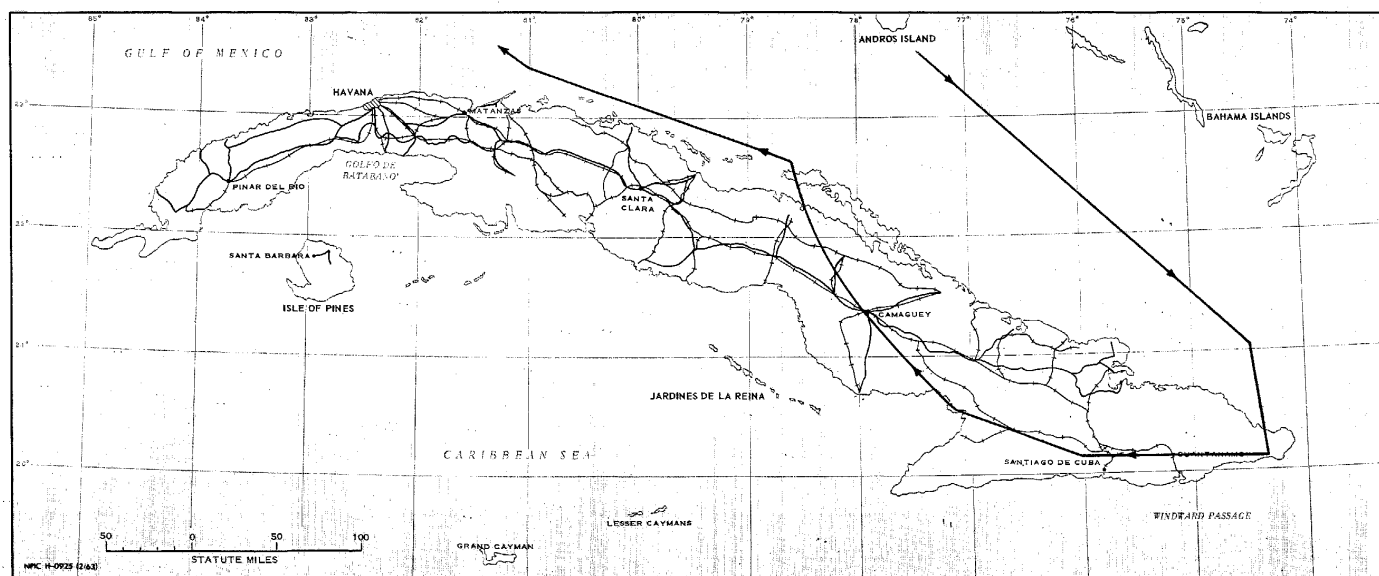
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SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2224N 07953W
MANICARAGUA AREA, EXPLOSIVES STORAGE SITE	2206N 07958W

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